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application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial Number <u>09/532,818</u> filed on <u>March 21, 2000</u>

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ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION:

Assignee:

Olympus Optical Co., Ltd.

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43-2, Hatagaya 2-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan

entitled: CONFOCAL MICROSCOPE

- 1a. [] Enclosed is specification, claims and drawings of the continuation or divisional application with a copy of the Oath or Declaration in the prior application.
- 1b. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including a copy of the Post-filed Declaration and transmittal letter.

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6. [X]	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the new paragraph:
	This is a [ ] continuation, [X] division of
	application Serial Number <u>09/532,818</u> filed <u>March 21, 2000</u> .
7. [X]	New formal drawings are enclosed. 14 Sheets, Figs. 1-22
8. [X]	The prior application is assigned to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan
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9. <b>[</b> ]	Copies of Verified Statement(s) claiming Small Entity Status filed in said application Serial No
The state of the s	Small entity status is still proper and desired.
9. [X] 10. [X]	Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1a or 1b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
11: [X]	The Power of Attorney in the prior application includes the following:
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12a. [X	[] The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
12b. [	Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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## LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## SIR:

Submitted herewith are corrected sheets of formal drawings including corrected Figs. 5B, 6 and 9, which should replace the corresponding sheets presently on file. The attached sheets of corrected formal drawings include the proposed drawing correction filed in parent application Serial No. 09/532,818 and which was approved by the Examiner in said parent application.

Fig. 5B has been amended as indicated in red on the accompanying copy thereof to change reference numeral "36" to --36b--.

Figs. 6 and 9 have been amended as indicated in red on the accompanying copies thereof to reverse the proportional areas of each of the black-colored light blocking areas and white colored light-transmitting areas in sections 62a and 64a, respectively.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is in full compliance with all outstanding Patent Office drawing requirements. Approval and entry of the corrected sheets of formal drawings submitted herewith is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Holtz, Esq. Reg. No. 22,974

Encl.:

Two (2) sheets corrected formal drawing

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